



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
JAIN et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/337,675 ) Group Art Unit: 1615  
Filed: June 22, 1999 ) Examiner: A. Pulliam  
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PARTICULATE COMPOSITIONS )

Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

This Preliminary Amendment is filed to address issues raised by the Examiner in the Advisory Action mailed in the parent application on August 19, 2003. By the attached petition for an extension of time and check for the requisite fee, applicants have extended the time for responding until January 9, 2003.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows.

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